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great serial,
"Bar Harbor,"
Can always be found at this office.
IT IS A DANDY STORY.

FARMERS,
Now is Your Time to Subscribe.

MEXICO has covered herself with
glory this week.

Dr. S. S. Laws has moved to
New York City to reside.

Bob Freeman carried off the
stuff in the mule rings.

Jack Harrison got to the front
with his horses as usual.

EVERYBODY from every where
within 20 miles of Mexico was at
the Fair.

MEXICO is to have two German
churches at once—one Lutheran
and one Evangelical.

THE LEDGER's special premium
for the prettiest baby was warmly
contested for, as usual.

THERE never was a fair where
there was less kicking or better
order on the quarter stretch.

ABOUT a barrel of Dr. Brown's
Squid's elixir of life should be
injected into the Mexico Board of
Trade.

The grand-stand at the Fair
Ground will be enlarged by next
year. Not half the crowd in at-
tendance could be seated.

MEXICO is fast becoming a popu-
lar summer resort. Quite a number
of city people are spending the
warm weather here this season.

WALLACE BASSFORD has accepted
a position on the editorial
staff of the LEDGER and any con-
tributions extended to him will be
duly appreciated.

ONE man had over a thousand
dollars worth of poultry at the
Mexico Fair, and still you can hear
some people say there was nothing
there but horses.

BENTON City has been incorpo-
rated as a village and promises to
be in every sense worthy of its pro-
motion. It is surrounded by a fine
country and we see no reason why
it should not double in population
within a year.

THE Fair Association should ar-
range next season so that profes-
sionals who travel from one fair to
another with moulty jellies and
sloppy needle work, antiquated
quilts, etc., cannot come in com-
petition with local exhibitors.

SEVERAL of the Mexico ladies
who were done up by Callahan and
since have joined Bob White's
"Death to Book Agents" "Clan-
na-Gael," will likely have revenge,
as the ladies of Chillicothe, Mo.,
are going to have Callahan arrested.

JASPER BURKS, of St. Genevieve
county, has been appointed by the
railroad commissioners as Chief
Grain Inspector at a salary of \$3,
000 per year. Burks had fine ex-
periences from all over the State,
and we know of no Democrat in
the State more deserving of recog-
nition at the hands of the party for
which he is always found hustling.

THE Fulton papers are howling
about the Mexico Fair being "run
by thugs" because the judges
changed the driver of "Dick
Smith" in the 2:50 trot. The judges
of the races are not officials of
the Mexico fair and do not live in
Audrain county. Any wrong which
"Dick Smith" may have suffered
is deeply regretted by the Mexico
Fair officials.

St. Louis will never get the
World's Fair if it is gotten up
in the camp. Some few small pol-
iticians at that city would rather
not have the fair than to have
Governor Francis materially as-
sist in securing it, and for this
reason do not propose to have him or his friends
throughout the State recognized in
the move if they can prevent it.
The entire State of Missouri is in-
terested in securing the World's
Fair for St. Louis, and, as Governor
McClure, the president, and the
local committees are doing all in
their power to make the occasion a
grand success. Tents and provis-
ions will be provided on the ground
for campment, so that expenses
there will be very light. Reduced
rates have been obtained on all the
railroads, persons paying full fare
going and either one third or no
fare returning. Col. Hiram Bled-
soe will be the chief marshal. Every
ex-Confederate soldier in Mis-
souri is invited to attend. The
Grand Army Posts of the vicinity
will be present. It is hoped that
the reunion will be the largest one
ever held in Missouri.

Dick Voorhis, br. g., owned by
Louis Spelbrink, the St. Louis
liveryman, showed last week that
he was every inch a trotter, win-
ning easily in straight heats, with-
out a skip or bobble, one heat being
trotted in 2:34 1/4. Mr. Spelbrink
has a dozen in his stable, any one
of which can show a mile in less
than :40. Dick Voorhis can be
driven in :25.

D. N. Evans is down from Kan-
sas City.

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MEXICO
R. M. WHITE, Editor and Proprietor.
VOL. XXXI.

SOME GREAT RACING.

Another Fine Day at the Race Track.

THE 2:35 PACING CONTEST WON BY THE WONDERFUL BESSIE YOUNG.

After Five Heats, Aytoun Gets the Three Minute Trot—Jack O' Diamonds Wins The One-Half Mile Dash—

Paragraphs.

Starter—W. C. Creveling.

Judges—Louis Spelbrink, Dell Bar-
ker, W. H. Glenn.

Timers—John Cline, E. F. Mathews,
P. W. Dingman.

Clerk of the course—J. G. Trimble.

Friday was another great day
at the Fair Grounds. Though the
attendance was not as large as on
the preceding day, it was the big-
gest Friday ever known. The peo-
ple commenced to gather early, so
that by noon the grand-stand was
comfortably filled. The ring
shows were of the usual excellence
and much interest was manifested.

The races were called promptly
at 1:30, the first heat trotted having
been in the three minute stallion
race. Aytoun, owned in
Bowling Green, had many friends
and among horsemen he was a
favorite. In the first heat Reno,
b. h., Strathmore, led at the start.

At the quarter pole he was passed
well by Aytoun, who held his
place until after the half mark was
passed. At this point Almont
Pilot, Jr., b. h., Almont Pilot, was
second, and Reno a broken third.

Aytoun, too, went up badly at the
three-quarter pole, letting Pilot
well to the front. In the second
heat Aytoun got away first, but he
soon lost to Pilot, with Reno a good
third. The horses were in good
shape at the quarter pole, with Ay-
toun off his feet. At the judges'
stand Pilot led, with Reno last.

They came under the wire in that
order. In the third heat Aytoun
led the bunch, with Reno doing
some lively running. He settled
in time to trot past the quarter
pole with the two other horses, but
in a moment he was up again. One
of the lines on Pilot caught on the
hub of the sulky and an accident
was narrowly missed. Pilot's
driver did some hard work in this
heat, but Aytoun came under the
wire several lengths ahead of him.

The fourth heat resulted the same
way, Aytoun leading from the
quarter. Billy Carter was put up
to drive Pilot, but he could not get
much more out of him than the old
driver. Coming down the stretch
the first time Pilot gained well on
Aytoun, but they both went up at
the 5/8 mark and at the three-
quarter pole the three horses were
strung out, Aytoun having a win-
ning lead. Aytoun led well from
the start of the fifth and last heat.
Reno was a poor second and Pilot
a hopeless third. Pilot appeared
fagged and he could not be pushed
without going up. The heat was
uninteresting.

SUMMARY.

Aytoun, b. h., 2 2 1 1 1

Almont Pilot, Jr., b. h., 1 2 2 3 3

Reno, b. h., 3 3 3 3 3

Time: 2:36 1/4, 2:36 1/4, 2:36 1/4, 2:36 1/4, 2:36 1/4.

The 2:35 pacing race was hotly
contested from start to finish,
five heats having been required to
settle it. In the first heat Tom
Wilson led, with Walker Sprague at
the tail of the bunch. At the
judges' stand John Scott was second
with Kate Lewis and Bessie Young
fighting for fourth place. The party
had strung out before the three-
quarter pole was reached, but under
the wire Scott and Tom Wilson
were hustling each other for place.
Scott beat him by a nose. In the
second heat, the party got off in
splendid shape and as far as the
quarter pole they stayed in a
bunch. At that point Bessie
Young was last in the race, with
John Scott leading. It was here
that Bessie Young showed her
wonderful spurring qualities by
coming around the gang with a
sweep, winning the heat handily.
The heat was a beautiful one
throughout.

In the third heat, Bessie Young
was ahead slightly to the eighth
pole. There she got badly off her
feet, falling nearly to the tail, with
Tom Wilson behind her. At the
quarter pole she was all right
again and down to the judges'
stand she came "a-bilin". At
that point the horses in front were
John Scott, Walker Sprague, Head-
light and Scott went up at the
seven-eighths mark. Sprague
came up and got the heat. The
fourth heat went to Bessie Young
after a most exciting race, the win-
ning horse coming around ahead in
some wonderful spurts.

Bessie Young led from the start
in the fifth and deciding heat, with
Walker Sprague, Headlight and
Scott following. Bessie Young lost
her place for a quarter, but when

the time came she was forging
nicely to the front.

SUMMARY.

Bessie Young, br. m., 3 1 1 1 1

Walker Sprague, br. m., 3 1 2 2 2

John Scott, br. g., 1 2 2 4 4

Tom Wilson, dr., 2 2 4 3 5

Headlight, b. g., 5 6 5 5 3

Kate Lewis, br. m., 4 4 4 4 4

Oliver Goldsmith, bl. g., 4 4 4 4 4

Time: 2:35 1/2, 2:35 1/2, 2:35 1/2, 2:35 1/2, 2:35 1/2.

Miss Cleveland, b. h., Aytoun,
won hands down over Sampson, b.
c., in the trot for foals of 1887.

The fourth race, a stake trot for
three year olds, was a fine one,
although Bessie Young took the money
in one, two, three order. In this
race, Lady Savage and Andrew
Allison showed good speed.

SUMMARY.

Blaze Berry, br. m., 1 1 1 1 1

Lady Savage, b. m., 1 2 1 2 1

Andrew Allison, b. h., 2 2 2 2 2

Henry C. Ch. Dr., 2 2 4 4 4

Rose Collins, b. m., 5 5 5 5 5

Time: 2:46 1/2, 2:46 1/2, 2:46 1/2, 2:46 1/2, 2:46 1/2.

The fifth race was the most ex-
citing of the afternoon. Six run-
ners came to the post and after
much scoring they were gotten
away in a perfect bunch. Black
Joe, br. g., the favorite, tried hard
to hold the fore, but at the quarter
pole Jack O' Diamonds, with Swan
up, passed the party nicely and
kept the place by a neck until the
finish. The entire gang swept
down the stretch together. Jack
O' Diamonds won, with Mistake,
s. g., owned in Maryville, Mo.,
second, and Black Joe, br. g., of
Kansas City, third. Time, 59.

After a dashing, cooling shower
Friday night, the sun arose in a
clear sky Saturday morning. The
race track at the Fair Grounds
speedily dried and before the races
were called at 11 o'clock it was in
good condition. The attendance
from the opening of the gates was
good and increased rapidly until
the middle of the afternoon, when
the races were at their highest. At
that time, the grand-stand contain-
ed more people than at any time in
the history of the Association ex-
cept last Thursday, which was the
greatest day ever seen at a track-
side in the West.

On account of the unusually fine
events and the possibility that they
might be long drawn out, the rac-
ing began at 11 o'clock in the
morning by a pacing contest for
two-year-olds. The race was un-
interesting. Bide-a-Wee moving
easily over John C. in slow time.

The free-for-all trot came on im-
mediately after dinner. It took
five heats to decide the contest,
Black Diamond winning, however,
in three straight heats as soon as
he "got onto the combination." This
was a beautiful race and the fastest
trotting time ever made on the
track was recorded in this heat.

SUMMARY.

Black Diamond, bl. g., 3 1 1 1 1

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The half mile dash was won by
Black Joe in :54, over Little Dar-
ling and Jack of Diamonds.

Ring Awards.

62 Best herd of cattle, con-
sisting of 1 male and four
females, any breed. 50 00

Householder & Williams, Columbus,
Kansas; certificate, same. Three en-
tries.

63 Best stallion, 4 years old
and over. \$15 00

E. Renie, Audrain; certificate, J. S.
Crosswhite, Boone. Eight entries.

64 Best stallion, 3 years old
and under. 10 00

W. N. Ridge, Montgomery; certi-
ficate, J. W. Henderson, Callaway. Six
entries.

65 Best stallion, 2 years old
and under. 6 00

J. M. Smith, Audrain; certificate, H.
O. Craig, Audrain. Four entries.

66 Best stallion, 1 year old
and under. 3 00

R. C. Graham, Audrain. Five entries.

67 Best stallion, under 1 year
old. 2 00

C. Nicholson, Callaway; certi-
ficate, R. Goldie, Callaway. Four en-
tries.

68 Best mare, 4 years old
and over. \$10 00

J. H. Howard, Callaway; certi-
ficate, G. B. Blanchard, Saline. Seven en-
tries.

69 Best mare, 3 years old and
under. 8 00

M. H. Renie, Audrain; certificate,
H. O. Craig, Audrain. Three entries.

70 Best mare, 2 years old and
under. 3 00

C. Logsdon, Saline; certificate, H. O.
Craig, Audrain. Three entries.

71 Best mare, 1 year old and
under. 6 00

J. H. Stewart, Pike; certificate, Geo.
Craig, Callaway. Six entries.

72 Best suckling calf, any
breed or sex. \$10 00

C. Nicholson, Callaway. Seven
entries.

73 Best saddle stallion and
sow of his spring colts. \$20 00

T. S. & J. Harrison, Callaway; certi-
ficate, same. Two entries.

74 Best pair mares or geld-
ings owned by same person. \$10 00

R. R. Buckner, Callaway. Three en-
tries.

75 Best pair roaster mares or
geldings for road purposes.
owned by exhibitor. \$10 00

C. Logsdon, Saline. Two entries.

76 Best saddle horse, any age,
gelding. \$25 00

T. S. & J. Harrison, Callaway. Four
entries.

77 Best jenny, any age. \$10 00

R. S. Davis, Audrain; certificate, J. W.
Fletcher, Audrain. Five entries.

78 Best male, home
bred. \$20 00

R. T. Freeman & Son, Audrain. Four
entries.

79 Best pair mules, owned by
exhibitor. \$15 00

R. T. Freeman & Son, Audrain. Three
entries.

80 Best stallion, 4 years old
and over. \$15 00

H. H. Haglund, Saline; certi-
ficate, same. Five entries.

81 Best stallion, 3 years old
and under. 7 00

R. H. Haglund, Saline; certi-
ficate, same. Five entries.

82 Best stallion, 2 years old
and under. 6 00

J. A. Logsdon, Saline; certificate, T. M.
Marshall, Audrain. Six entries.

83 Best stallion, 1 year old
and under. 6 00

C. Nicholson, Callaway; certificate,
C. R. Goodley, Callaway. Three entries.

84 Best stallion, 4 years old
and over. \$10 00

J. B. Brown, Audrain; certificate, D. M.
Roberts, Audrain. Four entries.

85 Best stallion, 3 years old
and under. 8 00

W. P. Johnson, Audrain; certificate,
R. W. Johnson, Callaway. Three en-
tries.

86 Best stallion, 2 years old
and under. 7 00

A. Adair, Audrain. Four entries.

87 Best stallion, 1 year old
and under. 6 00

C. Ragsdale, Audrain; certificate, Joe
Lockridge, Audrain. Two entries.

88 Best stallion, 4 years old
and over. \$5 00

Ed Roberts, Audrain; certificate, Ed
Roberts, Audrain. Two entries.

89 Best stallion, 3 years old
and under. 5 00

Ed Roberts, Audrain. Three entries.

90 Best stallion, 2 years old
and under. 5 00

C. Ragsdale, Audrain; certificate, Joe
Lockridge, Audrain. Two entries.